

## Mini Lecture 9.1

### Reviewing Linear Inequalities and Using Inequalities in Business Applications

#### Learning Objectives:

1. Review how to solve linear inequalities.
2. Use linear inequalities to solve problems involving revenue, cost, and profit.

#### Examples:

1. a.  $2x - 5 \geq 3$       b.  $3x - 5 \leq 6x + 4$       c.  $\frac{x+1}{4} > \frac{2x-1}{4} + \frac{3}{8}$

d.  $4(x+1) > 4x+2$       e.  $2x+2 \leq 2x-2$

2. Use the revenue and cost functions

$$R(x) = 100x$$

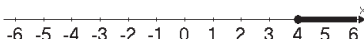
$$C(x) = 160,000 + 75x$$

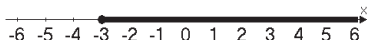
to write the profit function for producing and selling  $x$  units.


With the profit function, determine how many units must be produced and sold for the business to make money.

#### Teaching Notes:

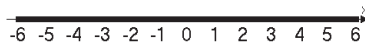
- When multiplying or dividing both sides of an inequality by a negative quantity, remember to reverse the direction of the inequality symbol.
- When an inequality has been solved and the variable has been eliminated and the result is a false statement, the inequality has no solution,  $\emptyset$ .
- When an inequality has been solved and the variable has been eliminated and the result is a true statement, the solution for the inequality is all real numbers.
- Revenue and cost function: A company produces and sells  $x$  units of a product. The Revenue Function is:  $R(x) = (\text{price per unit sold})x$  and the Cost Function is:  $C(x) = \text{fixed cost} + (\text{cost per unit produced})x$ .
- The Profit,  $P(x)$ , generated after producing and selling  $x$  units of a product is given by the profit function  $P(x) = R(x) - C(x)$  where  $R$  and  $C$  are the revenue and cost functions, respectively.

Answers: 1.a.  $\{x \mid x \geq 4\}$  or  $[4, \infty)$  

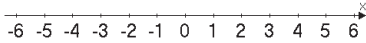
b.  $\{x \mid x \geq -3\}$  or  $[-3, \infty)$  

c.  $\{x \mid x < \frac{1}{2}\}$  or  $(-\infty, \frac{1}{2})$  

d.  $\{x \mid x \text{ is a real number}\}$  or  $(-\infty, \infty)$



e.  $\emptyset$



2.  $P(x) = 25x - 160,000$ ; more than 6400 units

## Mini Lecture 9.2

### Compound Inequalities

#### Learning Objectives:

1. Find the intersection of two sets.
2. Solve compound inequalities involving *and*.
3. Find the union of two sets.
4. Solve compound inequalities involving *or*.



#### Examples:

1. Find the intersection of the sets.
  - a.  $\{-3, -1, 3, 5\} \cap \{-5, -3, 1, 3\}$
  - b.  $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\} \cap \{2, 3, 5, 6\}$
  - c.  $\{2, 4, 6, 8\} \cap \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$
2. Solve. Give solutions in interval notation.
  - a.  $x + 1 < 6$  and  $x + 5 > 8$
  - b.  $-4x - 5 < 3$  and  $x + 1 < 5$
  - c.  $-3 \leq 2x - 5 < 3$
  - d.  $3 < \frac{x}{2} + 5 \leq 6$
3. Find the union of the sets.
  - a.  $\{-8, -7, -6\} \cup \{-5, -4, -3\}$
  - b.  $\{2, 4, 6, 8\} \cup \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$
  - c.  $\{\text{dogs}\} \cup \{\text{cats}\}$
4. Solve. Give solutions in interval notation.
  - a.  $x + 5 \leq -2$  or  $x + 5 \geq 2$
  - b.  $4x + 2 < -10$  or  $5 - 2x < 9$
  - c.  $2x + 5 > 3x - 1$  or  $x - 4 < 2x + 6$
5. Solve. Graph. Give solution in interval notation.
  - a.  $-6 < 2x + 2 \leq 14$
  - b.  $5x - 3 \leq x + 1$  or  $-8x \leq -16$
  - c.  $3(x + 1) < 2(x + 2)$  or  $2(x - 1) \geq x + 2$
  - d.  $2x + 4 < -8$  and  $3x + 5 > 8$

#### Teaching Notes:

- It can be helpful when graphing compound inequalities involving *and* to graph each inequality on the same number line with different colored highlighters. This will enable the students to “see” the intersection of the two graphs.
- Students will again need to be reminded that when multiplying both sides of an equality by a negative number, the inequality sign must be reversed.
- Compound inequalities involving *or* indicate intersection.
- Compound inequalities involving *and* indicate union.

Answers: 1. a.  $\{-3, 3\}$  b.  $\{2, 3\}$  c.  $\emptyset$  2. a.  $x; (3, 5)$  b.  $(-2, 4)$  c.  $[1, 4)$  d.  $(14, 12]$   
 3. a.  $\{-8, -7, -6, -5, -4, -3\}$  b.  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$  c.  $\{\text{dogs, cats}\}$  4. a.  $(-\infty, -7] \cup [-3, \infty)$   
 b.  $x; (-\infty, -3) \cup (-2, \infty)$

c.  $(-\infty, \infty)$  5. a. ;  $(-4, 6]$  b. ;  $(-\infty, 1] \cup [2, \infty)$

c. ;  $(-\infty, 1) \cup [4, \infty)$  d.   $\emptyset$

### Mini Lecture 9.3

#### Equations and Inequalities Involving Absolute Value

**Learning Objectives:**

1. Solve absolute value equations.
2. Solve absolute value inequalities of the form  $|u| < c$ .
3. Solve absolute value inequalities of the form  $|u| > c$ .
4. Recognize absolute value inequalities with no solution or all real numbers as solutions.
5. Solve problems using absolute value inequalities.

**Examples:**

1. Solve.
 

a. $ 3x - 2  = 5$	b. $2 y + 4  = 8$
c. $ x - 2  + 4 = 2$	d. $ 2x + 1  =  3x + 4 $
  
2. Solve and graph the solution set on a number line. Give solutions in interval notation.
 

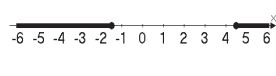
a. $ x + 4.5  < 1.5$	b. $ 2x - 3  \geq 6$
c. $ 3x + 4  < -2$	d. $ 2x - 2  > -4$

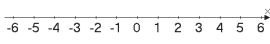
**Teaching Notes:**

- The absolute value of  $a$ , denoted  $|a|$  is the distance from 0 to  $a$  on a number line.
- If  $c$  is a positive real number and  $x$  is an algebraic expression then rewrite an absolute value equation without absolute value bars.  $|x| = c$  is equivalent to  $x = \pm c$
- If  $c$  is a positive number and  $x$  is an algebraic expression then  $|x| > c$  are the numbers  $-c < x < c$ .  $|x| > c$  are the numbers  $x < -c$  or  $x > c$ . These rules are true for  $\leq$  or  $\geq$  respectively.
- If  $c$  is a negative number and  $x$  is an algebraic expression then  $|x| < c$  has no solution and  $|x| > c$  is true for all real numbers for which  $x$  is defined.

Answers: 1. a.  $-1$  and  $\frac{7}{3}$  or  $\{-1, \frac{7}{3}\}$  b.  $0$  and  $-8$  or  $\{0, -8\}$  c.  $\emptyset$  d.  $-3$  and  $-1$  or  $\{-3, -1\}$

2. a.  $(-6, -3)$  

b.  $(-\infty, \frac{-3}{2}] \cup [\frac{9}{2}, \infty)$  

c.  $\emptyset$   d.  $\{x \mid x \text{ is a real number}\}$  or  $(-\infty, \infty)$  